

In re Appln. of HIRAYAMA et al.  
Application No. Unassigned

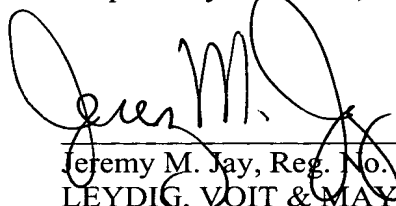
*REMARKS*

Claims 2-5 have been amended to improve the form of the claims, claims 1 and 6-9 have been canceled, and claims 10-16 have been added. Additionally, the specification has been amended to correct minor translational errors and to meet United States requirements as to form.

No new matter has been added, the basis for the amended language may be found in the original specification, claims and drawings.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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